

Applicant: Antti Heikkinen et al.
Application No.: 10/518,416
Art Unit: 1731
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Remarks

Claims 29–35, 43–54, and 56–58 remain pending in the application. Claims 43–54 and 56–58 stand withdrawn but are entitled to rejoinder as set forth in MPEP 821.04, because they depend from an allowable claim.

In the Office action dated December 17, 2007 claims 29-35 were indicated as containing allowable subject matter, but were provisionally rejected on the grounds of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 31-44 of co-pending application No. 10/598,664. Applicant establishes joint ownership, if necessary stating:

**Application No.:10/598,664 and application No.:10/518,416
were, at the time the invention of No.:10/598,664 was made,
owned by Metso Paper, Inc of Helsinki Finland.**

A terminal disclaimer is file with this response, removing the provisionally rejected on the grounds of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting co-pending application No. 10/598,664.

Applicant requests Claims 43–54 and 56–58 also be rejoined and allowed.

Rejoinder is proper because the withdrawn claims are dependent from and therefore contain all the limitations of an allowed to claim.

A supplemental information disclosure statement directed to the references disclosed in application No.:10/598,664, and not previously cited, is filed with this response.

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Applicant believes that no new matter has been added by this amendment.

Applicant submits that the claims, as amended, are in condition for allowance.

Favorable action thereon is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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